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## Five go to Robotnik's base!

## SONIC'S TOPS!

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greetings

## HEY BOOMERS!

I've got good news for you, but first a warning! There are strange goings on in this issue and not everything is as it seems! In my new Sonic story **Shady Characters**, you'll be shocked when the true identity of Agent X is finally exposed. Then, in the Double Sonic story **Game On**, the fate of the Cool Blue One appears to be in the hands of a being more powerful even than Robotnik! Tails, too, has a mystery to solve when a dinosaur-like monster appears in **Making the News**. Lastly, I know strange things are always occurring at Castle Frank N. Stein, but you really will be amazed at what happens to Chuck in this issue's story **Decap-Man**.

Something that isn't a mystery is the popularity of the front cover gifts presented with *STC*. And the good news I mentioned is that there will be more free gifts coming your way very soon. Full details appear in the next issue of *STC*, until then keep watching the skies for those bothersome Badniks!

Megadroid

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# SONIC

## SHADY CHARACTERS

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Script: LEW STRINGER

Art: RICHARD ELSON Lettering: TOM FRAME

THANKS FOR COMING ALONG TO THIS MEETING, BUDDIES! I'M NOT ONE FOR **SPEECHES**, SO I'LL MAKE THIS **BRIEF!**

*A GATHERING OF HEROES IN THE **EMERALD HILL ZONE**...*

ROBOTNIK'S MISSING AFTER HIS LAST DEFEAT,* SO I'M GOING TO WIPE OUT HIS BASE ON **FLICKIES' ISLAND!** WHO'S WITH ME?

*SEE LAST ISSUE'S EPISODE— Megadroid.

SHORT AND SWEET!

HEY, NO **MUSHY** STUFF, AMY!

DON'T FLATTER YOURSELF, I WAS TALKING ABOUT YOUR **ANNOUNCEMENT!**

YOU CAN COUNT ON US, SONIC!

MAYBE I SHOULD STAY BEHIND, IN CASE ANYONE ATTACKS THE **EMERALD HILL!**

FAIR POINT, JOHNNY! AFTER ALL, ROBOTNIK'S NOT THE **ONLY** NUTTER ON MOBIUS!

OKAY. THE REST OF YOU FOLLOW ME...

...AND TRY TO **KEEP UP!**

WOOOSH

TELEPORTING!

VVVMMMM

SOON, OVER THE OCEAN...

IF ROBOTNIK'S LEFT ANY **BADNIKS** ON GUARD, THEY WON'T BE EXPECTING A **SURPRISE ATTACK!**

RIGHT, **TEKNO!** WE JUST GO IN, DESTROY HIS EVIL WEAPONS, AND GET BACK IN TIME FOR TEA!

UH-OH! MAKE THAT **SUPPER!**

IT **CAN'T** BE! THEY'RE NOT **EXPECTING** US!

TOUGH LUCK, BUDDY! WE JUST GOTTA **DEAL** WITH IT!

KXAPP!

THEY'RE **SURROUNDING** US! THIS IS AN **AMBUSH!**

FOOOM!

ZZAM!

AAAKKK!

SHORTY'S DOWN!

MY CROSSBOW'S BEEN SABOTAGED! IT WON'T FIRE!

SAME GOES FOR MY SKY SCOOTER! THE ENGINE'S CUT OUT!

I THINK "ABANDON SHIP" IS OUR BEST OPTION!

I WON'T ARGUE WITH THAT, TEKNO!

WELL, MAYBE I WILL.

WE'RE THE ONLY TWO LEFT, SONIC!

YOU AND ME AGAINST A HUNDRED BADNIKS, HUH? THEY WON'T STAND A CHANCE!

HOW CAN YOU JOKE AT A TIME LIKE THIS?

WHO'S JOKING?

SPDANG!

WHUMP!

SO MUCH FOR OUR SURPRISE ATTACK!

THERE'S **TOO MANY** OF THEM! *GASP.* ALL THE BADNIKS ON THE **PLANET** MUST BE HERE!

SOMEBODY'S SET US UP! IT'S THE ONLY ANS-AAGH!

ZZAP!

PERFECT.

A WHILE LATER...

UHHNNN... FEELS LIKE THE **WORLD CUP** IS BEING PLAYED INSIDE MY HEAD... WITH **EXTRA TIME** ADDED ON!

AH, I SEE YOU HAVE **RECOVERED**, SONIC! TOO BAD IT WON'T LAST!

**AGENT X!** SO YOU'RE THE CREEP BEHIND THIS!

I STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW HE KNEW WE WERE COMING!

BECAUSE I **TELEPORTED** HERE AFTER THE **MEETING** THIS MORNING!

**JOHNNY!**

THAT'S BETTER. THAT HOOD REALLY BENDS MY EARS BACK!

ALL THESE WEEKS... OUR OWN BUDDY WAS AGENT X?

IT'S A CON TRICK!

N-NO TRICK, AMY! ACCORDING TO MY SCANNER, THAT IS JOHNNY LIGHTFOOT!

YOU TRAITOR! ALL THIS TIME YOU'VE BEEN WORKING FOR ROBOTNIK!

YES! IT'S A PITY HE'S NOT HERE TO SEE THIS!

GOODBYE, SONIC! IT'S BEEN FUN! HAHAHA!

CLANNG!

VRRZZT!

AAARRHHH...

SONNIIIC!

IT'S NO USE, TAILS...

...HE'S GONE!

NEXT ISSUE: THINGS CAN ONLY GET BETTER!

# tails

# MAKING THE NEWS

new complete story

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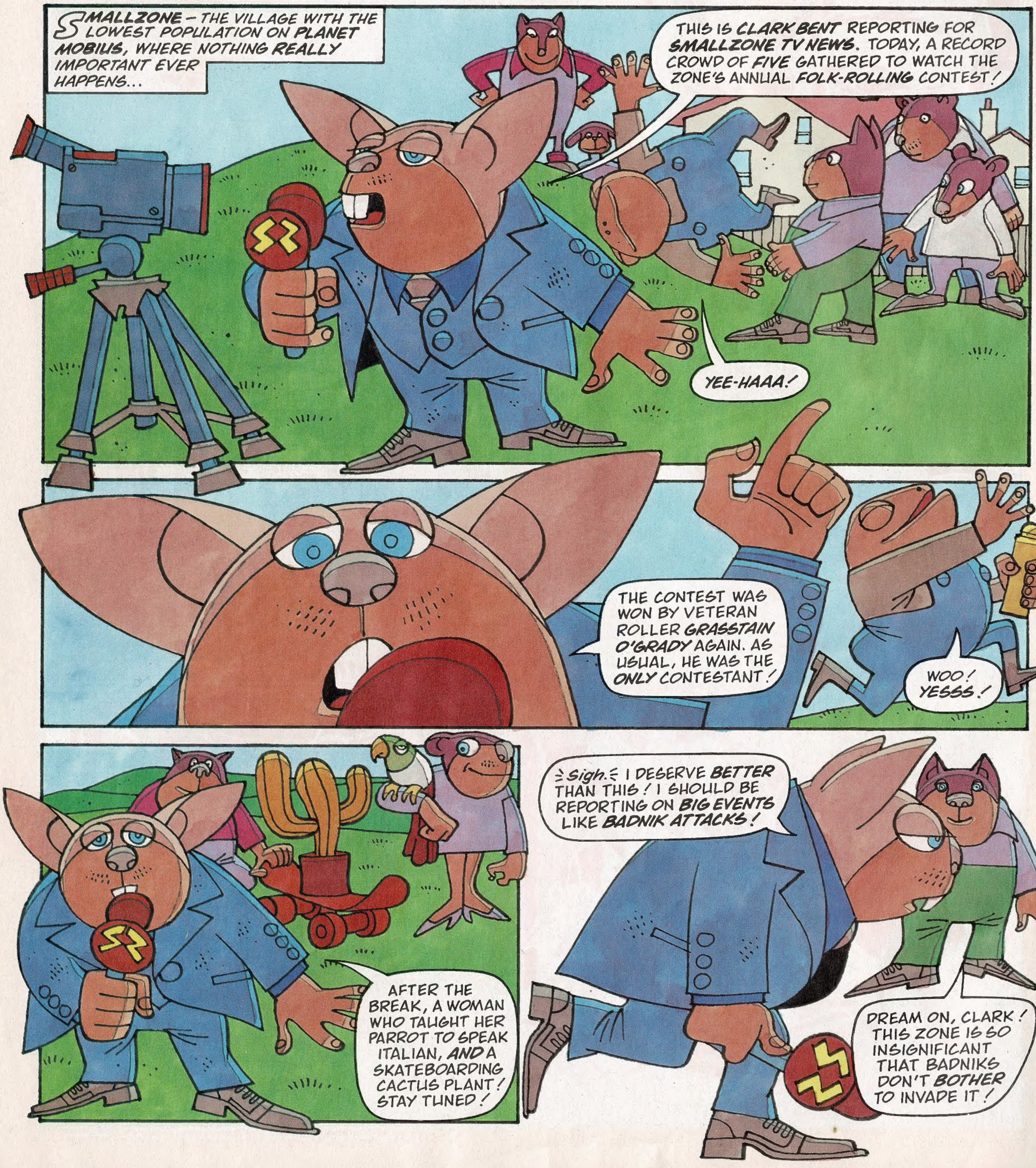
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THIS IS CLARK BENT REPORTING FOR SMALLZONE TV NEWS. TODAY, A RECORD CROWD OF FIVE GATHERED TO WATCH THE ZONE'S ANNUAL FOLK-ROLLING CONTEST!
YEE-HAAA!
THE CONTEST WAS WON BY VETERAN ROLLER GRASSTAIN O'GRADY AGAIN. AS USUAL, HE WAS THE ONLY CONTESTANT!
WOO! YESSS!
AFTER THE BREAK, A WOMAN WHO TAUGHT HER PARROT TO SPEAK ITALIAN, AND A SKATEBOARDING CACTUS PLANT! STAY TUNED!
≥Sigh.≤ I DESERVE BETTER THAN THIS! I SHOULD BE REPORTING ON BIG EVENTS LIKE BADNIK ATTACKS!
DREAM ON, CLARK! THIS ZONE IS SO INSIGNIFICANT THAT BADNIKS DON'T BOTHER TO INVADE IT!

SOMETHING BIG HAS TO HAPPEN AROUND HERE ONE DAY!

NO WAY! SMALLZONE IS A QUIET PLACE, AND THAT'S THE WAY WE LIKE IT!

WEEKS LATER, IN THE METROPOLIS ZONE...

HEY, TAILS! HAVE YOU SEEN THE NEWS?

DON'T TELL ME BADNIKS ARE INVADING AGAIN?!

IT'S SOMETHING A BIT BIGGER THIS TIME, TAILS!

WHOA!

THIS IS CLARK BENT REPORTING FOR SMALLZONE TV NEWS! A HUGE MONSTER IS DESTROYING THE VILLAGE!

THIS IS THE BIGGEST THING TO HIT SMALLZONE... LITERALLY!

STOMP!

WOW! THAT'S REALLY PUT SMALLZONE ON THE MAP!

I'D BETTER MAKE SURE IT STAYS ON THE MAP AND DEAL WITH THAT MONSTER!

ONE FAST FLIGHT LATER...

HELP! THERE'S A KILLER ON THE LOOSE!

WE'VE GOT TO GET OUT BEFORE WE'RE SQUASHED!

LET'S NOT PANIC! COOL IT, DUDES!

COOL IT YOURSELF, IT'S EVERY MAMMAL FOR ITSELF!

HOW COME SONIC GETS RESPECT WHEN HE SAYS THAT LINE?

CALM DOWN! YOU'RE ACTING LIKE MINDLESS SHEEP!

WATCH YOUR LIP!

DIDN'T YOU SEE THE NEWS? THERE'S A MOODY MONSTER ON THE RAMPAGE!

YES, BUT WHERE? SOMETHING THAT BIG WOULD BE TOWERING ABOVE US!

TV

HAVE ANY OF YOU ACTUALLY SEEN IT?

Er...ONLY ON THE TV! LOOK!

TV

AAIEE! IT'S DESTROYING THE STREET!

SO...WHERE IS IT THEN?

Um...GOOD QUESTION!

YEAH, I THINK I KNOW WHERE TO FIND THE ANSWER!

...AND THE CREATURE CONTINUES ITS FRENZIED RAMPAGE! NOWHERE IN SMALLZONE IS SAFE! **RUN FOR YOUR LIVES!**

THAT'S QUITE ENOUGH OF THAT!

AS I SUSPECTED... A **HOAX** CREATED BY **MODEL MINIATURES** AND **COMPUTER EFFECTS!** WHY DID YOU DO IT, CLARK?

I WAS **BORED!** REPORTING **DAY** AFTER **DAY** ON TRIVIA! I JUST WANTED TO LIVEN THE PLACE UP!

YOU DID THAT ALL RIGHT! YOU'RE UNDER ARREST FOR CREATING PUBLIC DISORDER!

NEVER MIND, CLARK! MAYBE YOU'LL GET A SHORTER SENTENCE FOR **MODEL** BEHAVIOUR!

THE END!

NEXT ISSUE: **TAILS** SCORES A **CAT TRICK!**

# CHRISTOPHER CRAFTY

I HAVE A PLAN

EVERYBODY IS SWAPPING PANINI FOOTBALL STICKERS WITH CHRISTOPHER

I'LL GIVE YOU A COMPUTER GAME FOR DAVID SEAMAN

YOU CAN HAVE MY CHIPS FOR PAUL INCE

OK, NO SWEAT

...EVEN THE NICEST GIRL IN THE SCHOOL.

HAVE YOU GOT ROBERTO DI MATTEO? – HE'S GORGEOUS.

DRAT!!

SORRY SUSIE I HAVEN'T

BUT...

IF YOU GET ME DI MATTEO – I'LL GIVE YOU A KISS...

WOW! I'LL SEE YOU LATER...

I HAVE A PLAN.

MUM... SHALL I GO TO THE SHOPS FOR YOU?

THAT WOULD BE NICE – I'LL MAKE A LIST

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EXCELLENT!!

Roberto Di Matteo

ON THE WAY HOME

KISS!

BOOYAKA!

LATER AT HOME

WHAT ABOUT MY LIST – WHERE'S THE PROPER SHOPPING?

WAIT 'TILL YOUR FATHER GETS HOME!

Cola Cola Cola CRISPS CRISPS CRISPS

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PAUL INCE ENGLAND

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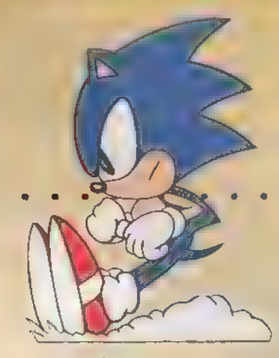

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## HANDS UP

Dear STC,

If all of the goodies wear white gloves why do Doctor Zachary and Super Sonic wear them too?

**Jamie Jones,**
**Pontefract, Wales.**
**Enamel Badge Prize Winner.**

*Don't you see, Jamie... it's all part of their cunning plan to make you think they are the good guys!*

## FAIR POINT

Dear Megadroid,

If I lived in England I'd protest about how the STC humes treat you - after all, if it wasn't for you, the humes wouldn't be able to design the comic.

**Matthew Nunez, Gibraltar.**
**Enamel Badge Prize Winner.**

*Too true, Matt. If only all humes were as fair as you obviously are.*

## GIRL TALK

Dear Megadroid,

I love the Chaotix Crew - they are fantastic - they have skill, strength and sense. But I have to complain about Espio. She's rude and pigheaded. Someone please tell her to come to her senses and get a life! Also, what exactly are her powers? Since she's a chameleon, she ought to change her colours. Back in STC 123, she turned invisible. Besides from that, the Chaotix Crew should have their own series - they just get chucked in with Knuckles for scenery and also let somebody join the team. If it's a boy, let him have good looks and strength like Mighty, or if it's a girl, don't let her be like Espio.

**Lennox Benson,**
**East Finchley, London.**
**Enamel Badge Prize Winner.**

*Chaotix Crew are coming back in STC 134 for a four issue run. [PS: Espio's a boy!]*

*Sonic stand in*
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## MORE BADDIES

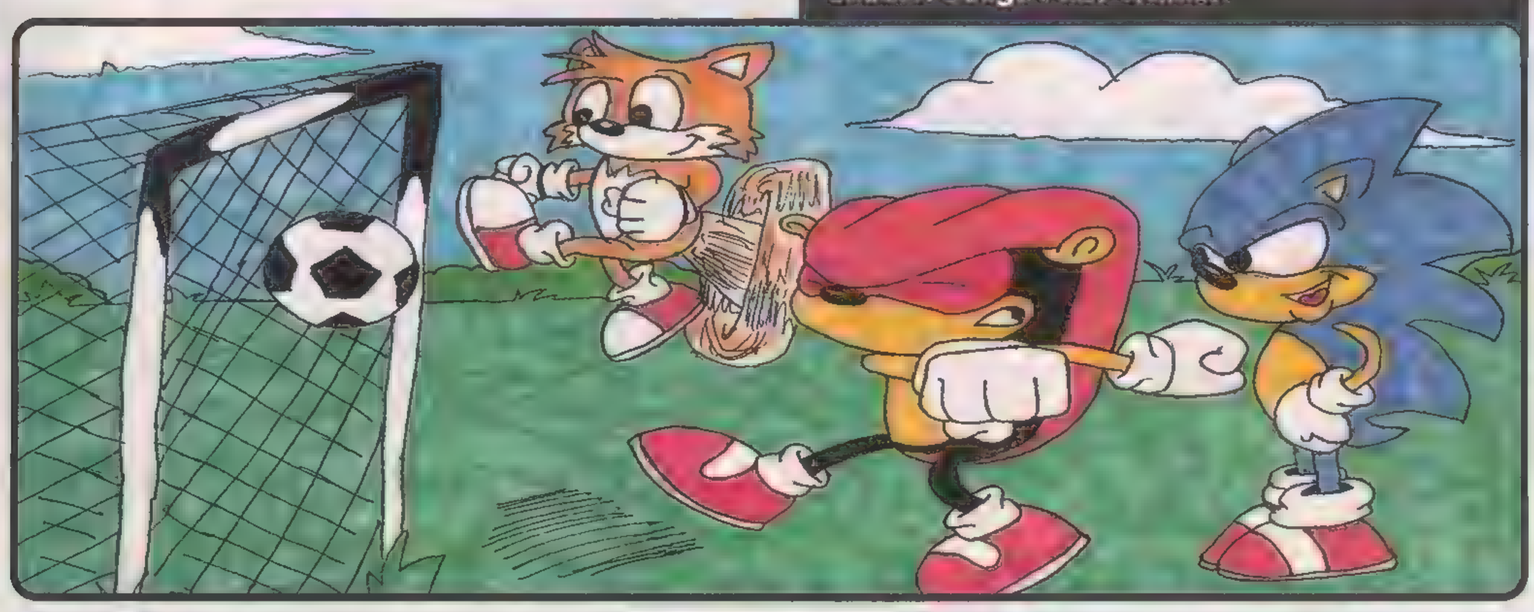
Dear Megadroid,

I'm writing this letter because Doctor Robotnik seems to be the only villain in STC. I respect your artwork and stuff but it would be more exciting if you had more villains on Mobius. Here's my suggestion: Black Jack the Toy maker with the vicious toys.

**M. Newell,**
**West Norwood, London.**
**MD owner.**
**Enamel Badge Prize Winner.**

*Hope you liked this issue's Baddies Poster, M.*

*Sonic's dream strike force, combining height, power and speed!*
**Emma Blackmore-Holden, Besthorde, Norfolk.**
**Enamel Badge Prize Winner.**



DOUBLE SONIC

# GAME ON!

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I FEEL LIKE I'VE DONE THIS A THOUSAND TIMES!

FZAMM!

ROBOTNIK SENDS HIS BADNIKS AFTER ME, I BEAT THEM, END OF STORY!

GIVE IT A REST, BADNIK!

AAGGH!

FZAMM!

I FEEL LIKE I'VE DONE THIS A THOUSAND AND ONE TIMES!

FZAMM!

ROBOTNIK SENDS HIS BADNIKS AFTER ME, I BEAT THEM, END OF STORY!

GIVE IT A REST, BADNIK!

FZAMM!

KABLAM!

SORTED!

GAME OVER

YYESS! I COMPLETED THE SONIC GAME AT LAST!

NICE ONE!

WE'VE BEEN PLAYING VIDEO GAMES LONG ENOUGH! LET'S GO TO THE PARK!

AW, OKAY!

WOULDN'T IT BE COOL IF BADNIKS WERE REAL AND WE COULD FIGHT THEM LIKE SONIC!

HA! DREAM ON! YOU'VE BEEN PLAYING TOO MANY VIDEO GAMES!

THE ONLY SUPER SPIN ATTACK IN REAL LIFE IS WHEN I BEAT YOU FROM THE EDGE OF THE AREA WITH A SWERVING VOLLEY!

HAH! THE SUN WAS IN MY EYES LAST TIME! THAT'S MY EXCUSE AND I'M STICKING TO IT!

TELE

WHOA!

I DON'T BELIEVE IT!

FZAMM!

STOP

ZZAM-BOOM!

THIS CAN'T BE *HAPPENING!* BADNIKS AREN'T *REAL!*

LOOKS REAL ENOUGH TO ME! *LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!*

WE CAN'T JUST *RUN AWAY!* WHAT WOULD *SONIC* DO IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS?

ZZAM!

*SUPER SPIN ATTACK?*

OF *COURSE!*

FOOM!

WHACK!

HOWZAT!?!

COMPLETED!

A GAME WITHIN A GAME! COOL INVENTION, TEKNO!

THANKS! I THOUGHT YOU'D APPRECIATE IT, SONIC!

WHAT DID YOU SAY THOSE ***FUNNY LOOKING DUDES*** WERE CALLED?

***HUMANS!*** FOLK LIKE THAT ACTUALLY ***EXIST*** ON A PLANET CALLED ***EARTH!*** AMY AND I WENT THERE ONCE!*

*SEE ***STC 114 + 115*** – *Megadroid.*

ARE THERE ***BADNIKS*** ON EARTH?

ONLY IN THAT GAME VERSION YOU JUST PLAYED! MAYBE HUMANS ON THE ***REAL*** EARTH PLAY VIDEO GAMES ABOUT ***YOU!***

WHO KNOWS? IF THEY ***DO***, THEY SHOW ***GREAT TASTE!***

The End

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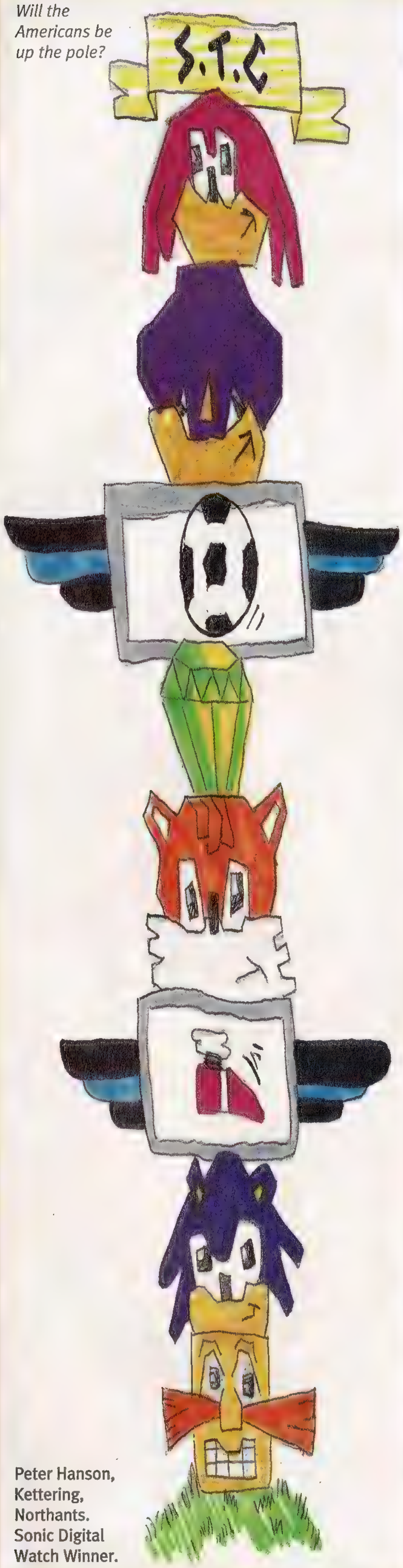
*The Tartan Amy!*

Joanna Foley, Mallow, Co Cork, Ireland. Sonic Digital Watch Winner.

*Sonic's funkin' for Jamaica!*

Matthew Kennett, Aylesbury, Bucks. Sonic Digital Watch Winner.

*Will the Americans be up the pole?*

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# Decap Attack

# DECAP-MAN

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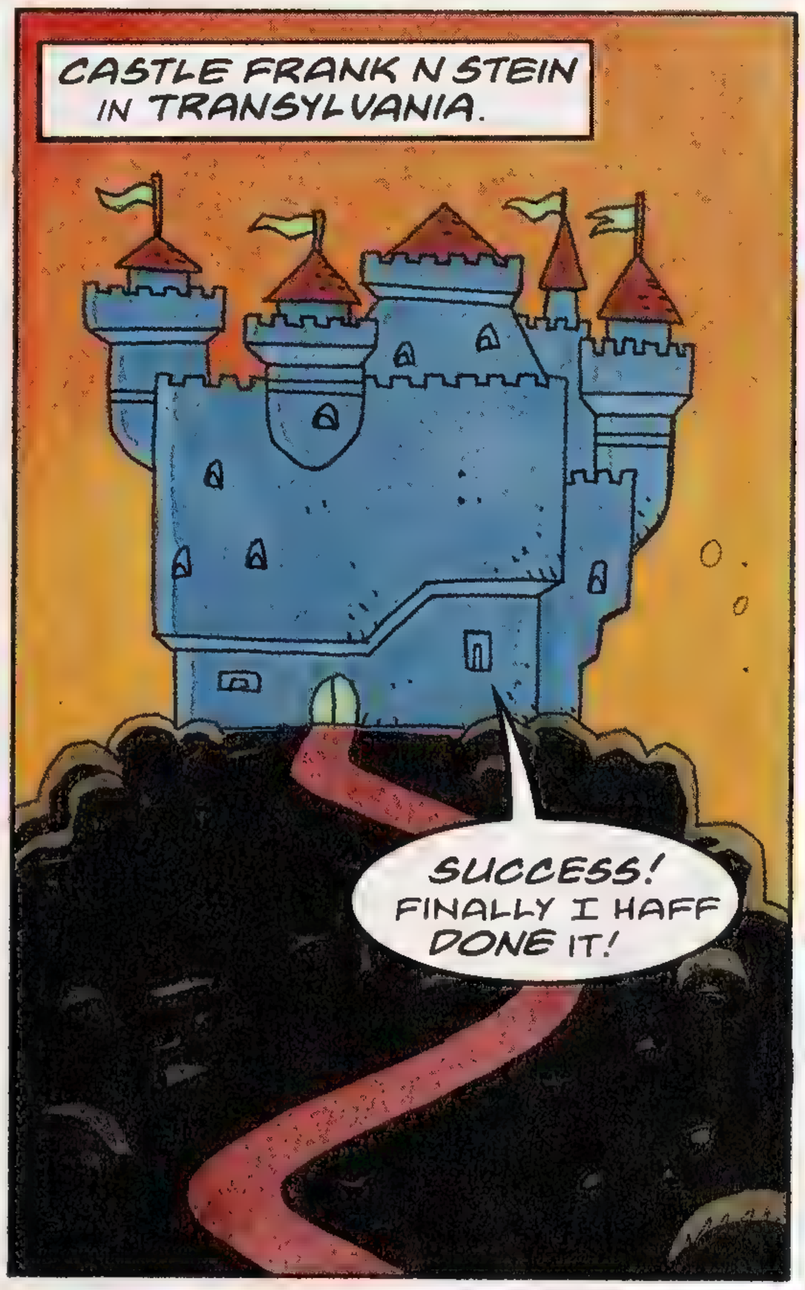
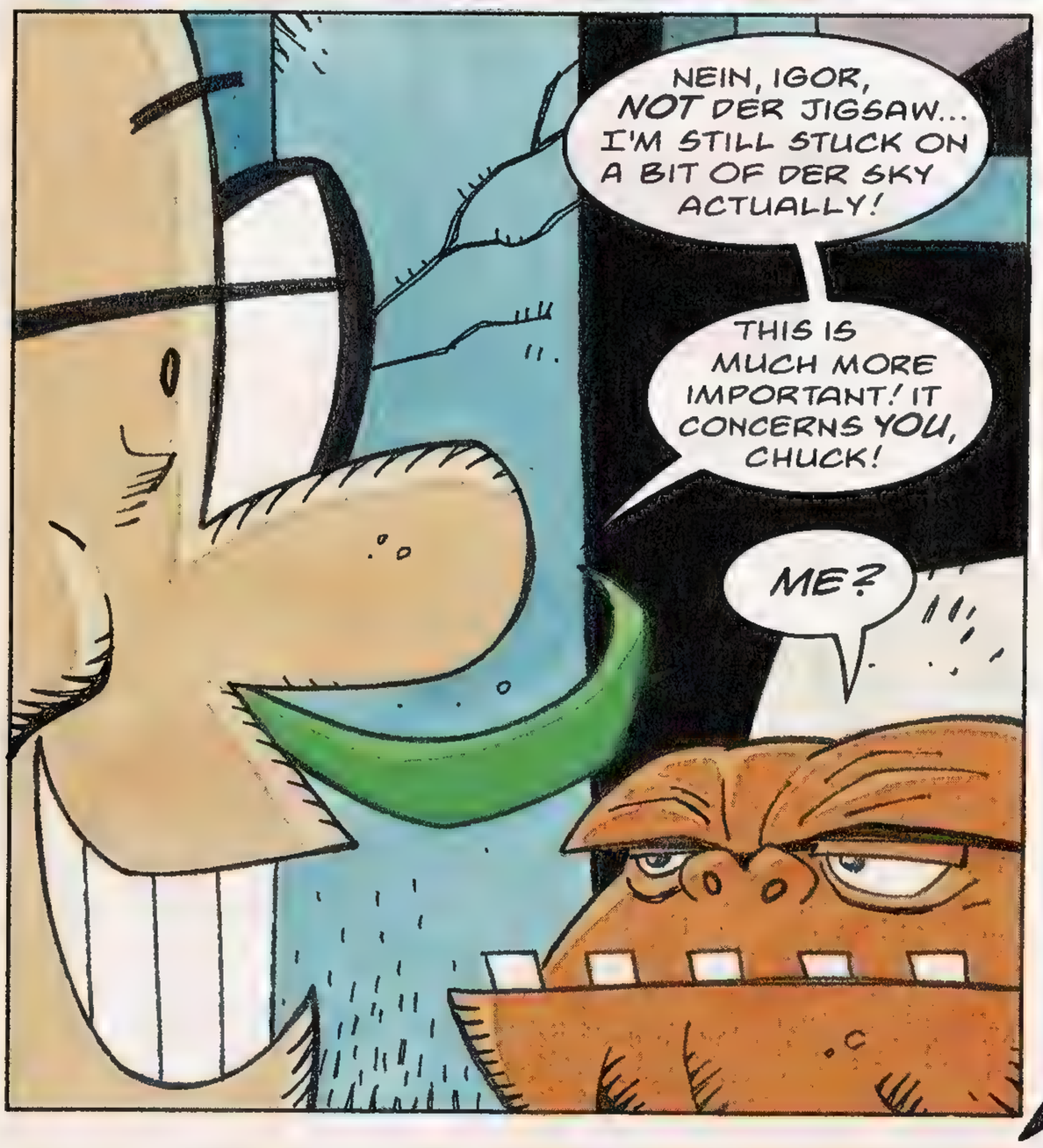
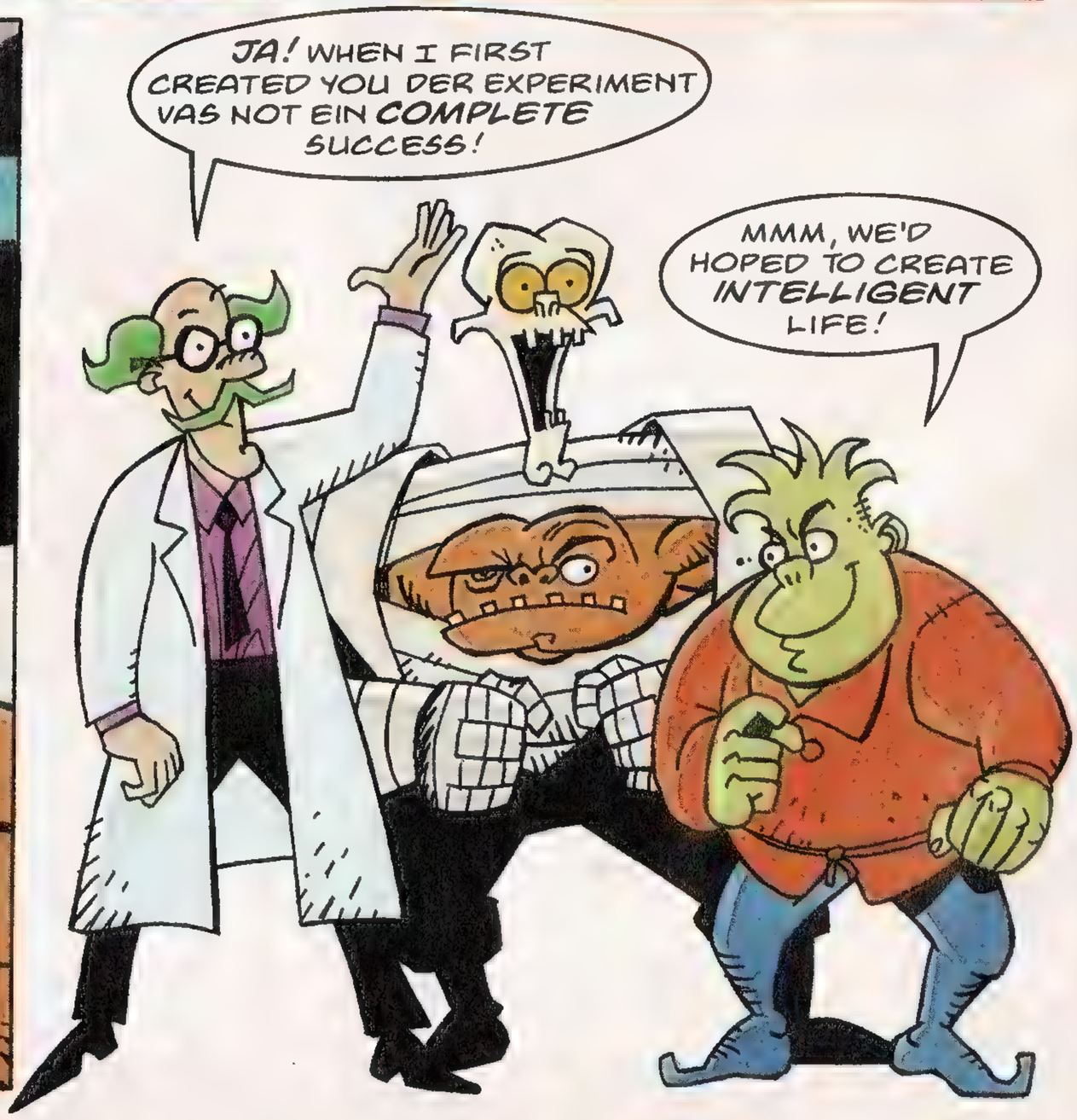
PART 1



YES!
SEE? I KNEW YOU'D FINISH THAT JIGSAW EVENTUALLY, PROF!
YEAH...ONLY FIFTEEN YEARS... IT CAN'T HAVE BEEN EASY GETTING ALL TWENTY-FIVE PIECES TO FIT!



MINE MACHINE WILL TURN YOU INTO DER *SUPERIOR BEING* THAT YOU WERE ALWAYS *SUPPOSED* TO BE!

JUST *WHAT* DID YOU MAKE THIS GIZMO OUT OF EXACTLY?...

IT IST EIN WORK OF *GENIUS!* IT'S MAINLY MADE OUT OF THAT GARDEN BARBECUE SET MY AUNT MILLIE SENT LAST CHRISTMAS!

AND YOU EXPECT ME TO *SIT* IN IT AND GET *COOKED*, DO YOU?

I SUSPECTED DAT *MIGHT* BE YOUR ATTITUDE! IGOR... HELP CHUCK INTO DER SEAT!

MY *PLEASURE*, PROF!

IGOR, DOUBLE CHECK DER FEEDBACK REGULATOR! MAKE SURE IT IST SET NO HIGHER THAN *SEVEN*... THIS IST *VITALLY* IMPORTANT!

*LUCKY* YOU MENTIONED THAT, PROF... THAT COULD HAVE BEEN *NASTY!*

OKAY, EVERYTHING'S JUST *FINE* NOW!

KA-ZAAAK!

YAAAAAAA!

HEY PROF, DO YOU MIND IF I THROW ON A COUPLE OF *SAUSAGES?*

*CHUCK*, CAN YOU HEAR ME? DID IT *WORK?*

NEVER MIND *THAT*, IT SMELLS LIKE MY SAUSAGES MIGHT BE *OVERDONE!*

FACE IT, PROF, YOUR EXPERIMENTS *NEVER* WORK... CHUCK'S JUST A PILE OF *ASH* BY NOW!

AT LEAST WE'LL HAVE SOMETHING TO GRIT THE PATH WITH NEXT WINTER!

*WAIT!* VOT IST *THAT?*

CHUCK, IST THAT *YOU*?

HERE, IGOR OLD PAL, YOUR SAUSAGES ARE DONE TO A TURN.

TH...THANKS.

YOUR INVENTION WORKED, PROFESSOR! I AM NOW THE *ULTIMATE HUMAN!*

I...I DON'T KNOW *VHAT* TO SAY! I'VE NEVER HAD EIN EXPERIMENT TURN OUT *RIGHT* BEFORE!

MY PLACE IS NO LONGER HERE IN THIS CASTLE...

THERE'S A WORLD OUT THERE THAT *NEEDS* ME!

WATCH OUT, EVIL! WHEREVER YOU MAY LURK!

CHUCK D HEAD IS COMING TO GET YOU!

BANGER, PROFESSOR?

THE NEXT MORNING...

PROF, PROF, HAVE YOU SEEN TODAY'S NEWS-PAPER?

NEIN... WHY VHAT IS IT?

Transylvanian Times

# Who is Decap-Man?

**Rescue!**

**Hero!**

**Cabbage!**

DECAP-MAN? I DON'T BELIEVE IT!

NEXT ISSUE: THE ADVENTURES OF DECAP-MAN!

# NEXT ISSUE...

## TOP STORIES

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**DECAP ATTACK** — *Heroic Action!*

**TAILS** — *Kat O' Three Tails!*

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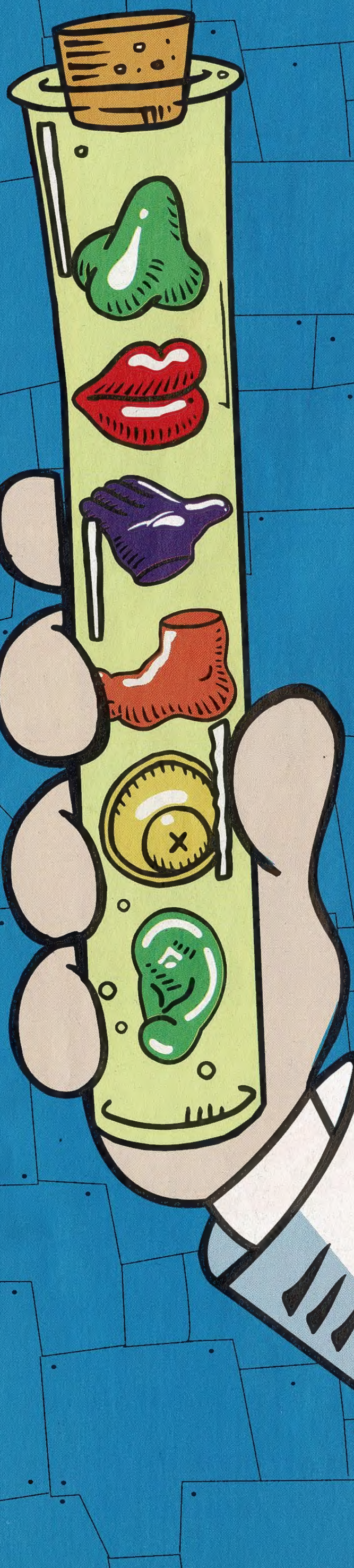

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